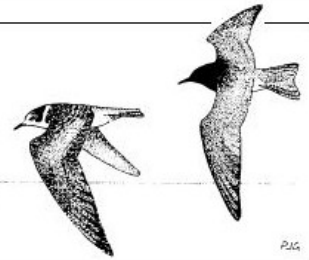


Stanford Ringing Group



STANFORD RINGING GROUP ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Summary

- In 2019 the Stanford Ringing Group (SRG) processed a 40 year record of 8,367 new birds
- The group also processed 1,944 re-trapped birds
- Twenty three birds ringed at other sites were re-trapped and processed at Stanford
- The total number of birds was therefore 10334, again a 40 year record.
- The SRG ringed a total of 61 species, a record only surpassed by the previous year's 63 species.
- Controls from foreign countries have generally confirmed that our warblers fly down the west coast of France and through the Iberian peninsula en route to West Africa, for the winter
- One Blackbird had travelled from, and one had travelled to Norway, underlining the migratory nature of this familiar species in winter.
- The nest box team ringed record numbers of Stock doves (62) and Tawny owls (8), and exceptional numbers of Barn Owl, and Grey and Pied Wagtails.
- The seventh year of the BTO Constant Effort Scheme was completed successfully.
- Unusually, no raptors were ringed this year, although both Sparrowhawk and Kestrel were present.
- Continuing declines in finches are of concern, although there is some evidence of a slow increase in the population of Greenfinches.
- Environmental management work continued as usual from January through March. Many thanks to all who took part.
- Many thanks to all those who helped during the year and to Severn Trent Water and Parker Farms for allowing access to their land.
- We would also like to thank Severn Trent Water for financing the feeding station in Blower's Lodge Bay

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Introduction

Birds have been ringed at Stanford Reservoir since 1976. The full story of the ringing and associated wildlife activities can be found on the group's website at www.stanfordrg.org.uk.

Birds are ringed as a group activity, weather permitting, from April to the end of December. From January to March, the group, augmented by helpers, undertake conservation work to enhance the area for birds. The main activities include cutting back broad leaf saplings to encourage the scrub which warblers and other breeding birds require, and clearing out the rides which are used to mist net birds. A feeding station is supplied and maintained on a weekly basis in Blower's Lodge Bay with seed, nuts and fat balls

During 2019 there were 36 group ringing sessions at weekends, augmented by midweek individual or small group sessions.

Most birds were trapped using mist nets, with occasional use of traps for specialist species such as Meadow Pipit. The main site used is centred around Blower's Lodge Bay, with supplementary use of the Leicestershire Paddock in summer.

By law, wild bird ringing in the UK is licensed by the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO). The procedures of BTO's *Ringers' Manual* (2001) were followed throughout to secure the welfare of the birds. All sessions were conducted from dawn until approximately midday.

All extraction, ringing and recording was carried out by group members who are either ringers licensed by the BTO, or are trainees under their direct supervision. All data were entered into the BTO's data manager IPMR and were submitted electronically.

Annual Species Accounts

Figures in brackets and bold show increase or decrease over a 10 year average for birds which breed at Stanford, for all species where more than 10 were caught in 2019.

Bar charts show breeding birds numbers ringed at Stanford over a period of 10 years, for which the number of adults ringed in 2019 was greater than 20.

Mute Swan

One bird ringed 12 May.

Stock Dove

Sixty two birds ringed, including 52 pulli **(+150%)**.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
				2	6	24	22	8			

This is a record for Stanford, and reflects the energy devoted to ringing pulli by the nest box team, led by the group secretary (AGH).

Woodpigeon

One bird ringed 21 July.

Cuckoo

Two birds ringed on 25 May; this is a rare event at Stanford, it has happened only twice before on 26 June 1994 and 19 July 1980, making this a record equalling year.

Barn Owl

Seven pulli ringed.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
					3	4					

Re-trapped: 1

This is the second highest total ringed at Stanford, again largely thanks to the nest box team.

Tawny Owl

Eight birds ringed, including 5 pulli.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			1	3	2	1	1				

A record year, again nest box team are to be recognised for their efforts.

Kingfisher

Six birds ringed.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
				1	1		2	1	1		

Green Woodpecker

One bird ringed 30 November.

Great Spotted Woodpecker

Seven birds ringed.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
					3		1	2		1	

Re-trapped: 5

Hirundines

A mixed set of results. Both Sand Martin and Swallow numbers were up against the 10 year average, but unusually, no house martins were trapped. The increase in Swallows was largely due to pulli ringed at Park Farms.

Sand Martin

Eleven birds ringed, all on 11 August.

Swallow

Seventy three birds ringed, including 72 pulli **(+32%)**.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
				10	27	22	14				

Larks, Pipits and Wagtails

Single Skylarks and Tree Pipits were ringed this year, both scarce and irregular species at Stanford; this being the first Skylark ringed at Stanford since 1985. Both Grey and Pied Wagtails had numbers well up on the 10 year average, again these were due to pulli being ringed. Meadow Pipit numbers were down compared to the 10 year average.

Skylark

One bird ringed 5 November.

Tree Pipit

One bird ringed 20 August.

Meadow Pipit

Thirty nine birds ringed **(-32%)**.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
								26	10		

Yellow Wagtail

Two birds ringed, 18 and 27 August.

Grey Wagtail

Twelve pulli ringed (+263%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			4		5	3					

Pied Wagtail

Ten pulli ringed (+488%).

Wren, Dunnock, Robins and Chats

Wrens, Dunnocks and Robins comprise a major component of the breeding birds at Stanford and so it is pleasing to report on a good year for all three. Wrens and Robins had a year which was an improvement on their 10 year average, and Dunnocks stayed essentially constant.

It was the best ever year for Redstarts, with all 16 ringed on their annual migration. One each of Wheatear and Whinchat, again ringed on migration, completed an exceptionally varied year.

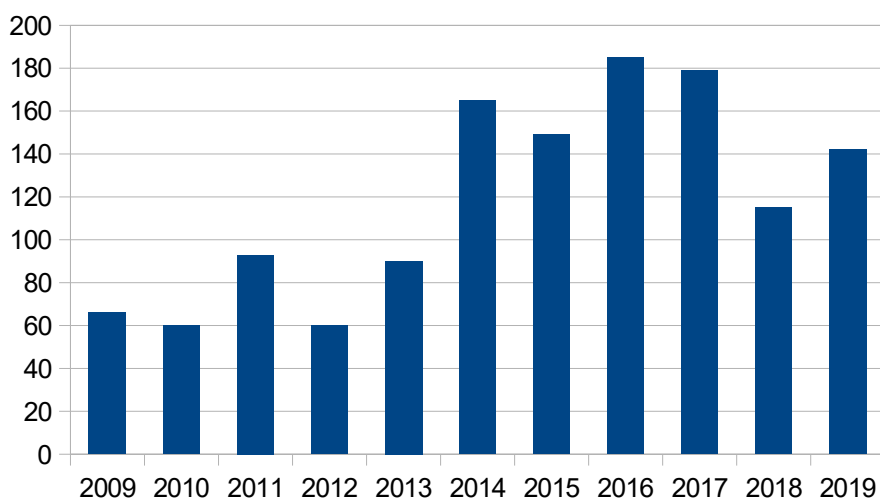
Wren

One hundred and forty two birds ringed (+22%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		3	4	2	18	32	23	25	27	7	1

Re-trapped: 93

Annual totals for the previous decade:



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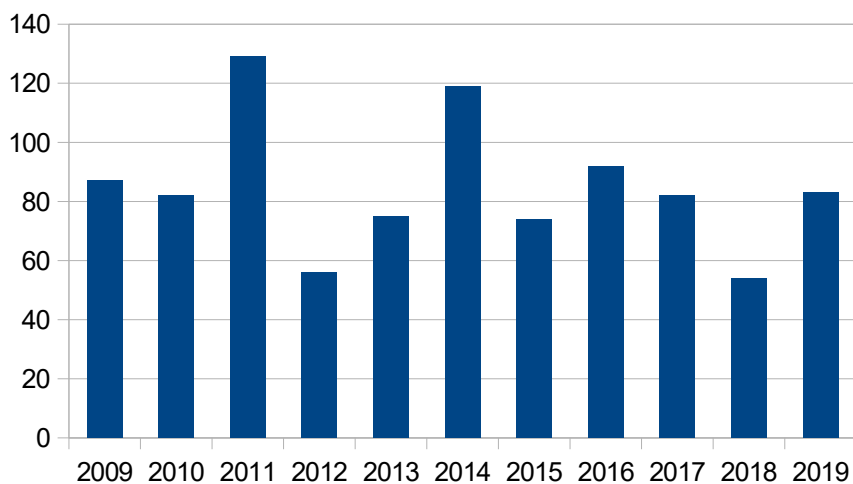
Dunnoek

Eighty two birds ringed (-2%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		6	3	5	24	8	6	20	8	2	

Re-trapped: 83

Annual totals for the previous decade:



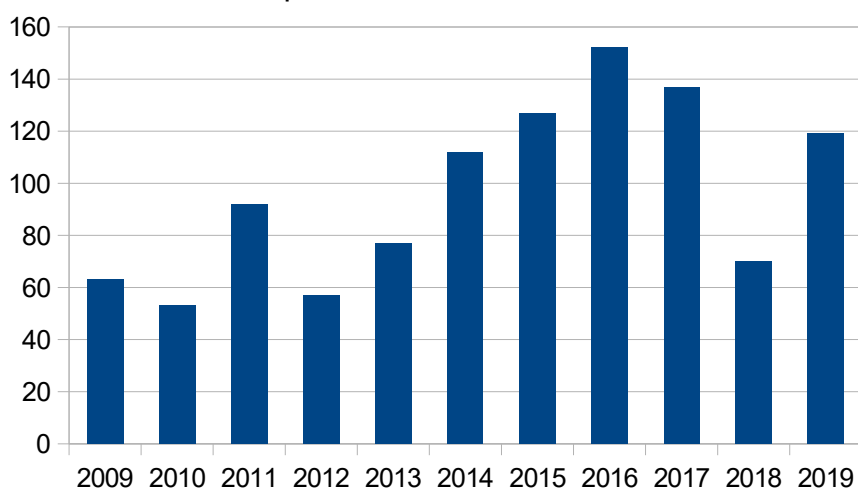
Robin

One hundred and nineteen birds ringed, including five pulli (+26%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		2	7	2	14	10	29	28	18	9	

Re-trapped: 46

Annual totals for the previous decade:



Redstart

Sixteen birds ringed, 6 on 24 August, 9 on 27th August, one on 3 September.

Wheatear

Thrushes

Blackbird

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
3			4	5	3	5	4	2	22	36	1

Annual totals for the previous decade:

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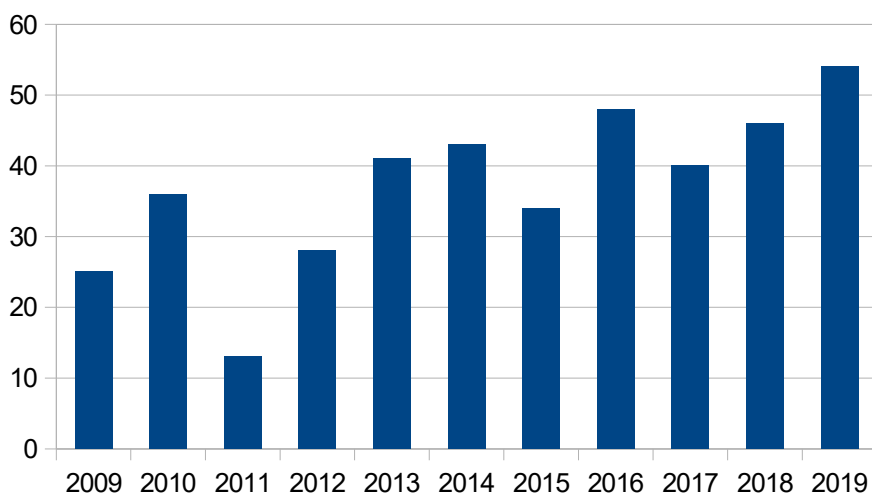
Song Thrush

Fifty four birds ringed (+52%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		3	1	3	3	2	5	3	19	15	

Re-trapped: 19

Annual totals for the previous decade:



Redwing

Four hundred and fifty nine birds ringed. (+45%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
									146	311	2

Re-trapped: 5

Warblers

This has been an exceptional year for warblers. Cetti's, our only resident warbler could be heard intermittently throughout the year and its autumn numbers were up on previous years. It was the second best year for Grasshopper Warblers with 11 juvenile birds ringed showing that they bred successfully.

The *Acrocephalus* warblers also had an excellent year. Our Reed Warblers had their best ever year with 439 birds, as did Sedge Warbler with 453! However, if possible, three of the *Sylvia* warblers surpassed this, with increases on their 10 year average including record numbers for Garden Warbler (119), a second best ever year for Whitethroat (664) plus an astonishing best ever total of 2,360 Blackcaps, with resident numbers boosted by large numbers of migrants in September.

Finally, *Phylloscopus* warblers did well, with both resident species increasing numbers on their 10 year averages, with Chiffchaff up to 629 and Willow Warblers having a best ever year with 392 birds ringed. In addition there was one Yellow Browed Warbler ringed- this is becoming a regular rarity at Stanford, with 5 birds ringed in total since 1981, and three birds ringed since 2015, all three between 10 and 12 October of their respective years.

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Cetti's warbler

Twelve birds ringed (+155%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	3	1	2	0

Re-trapped: 25

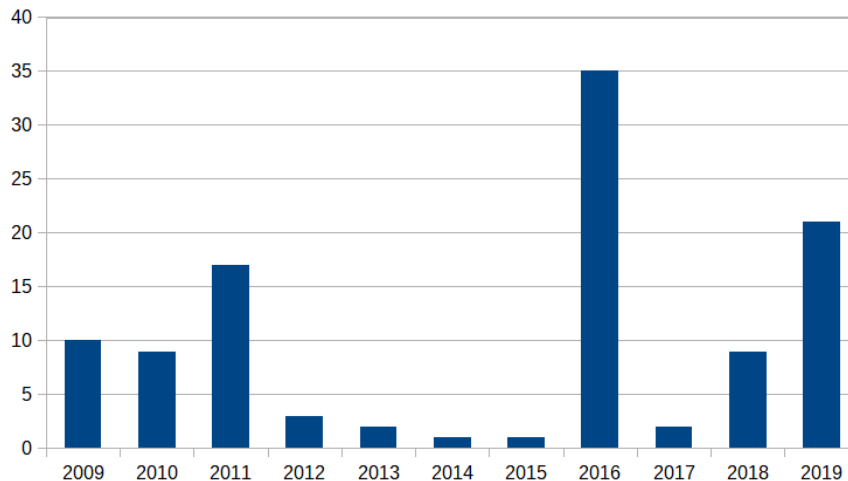
Grasshopper warbler

Twenty one birds ringed (+136%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			2	3	0	2	13	1			

Re-trapped: 9

Annual totals for the previous decade:



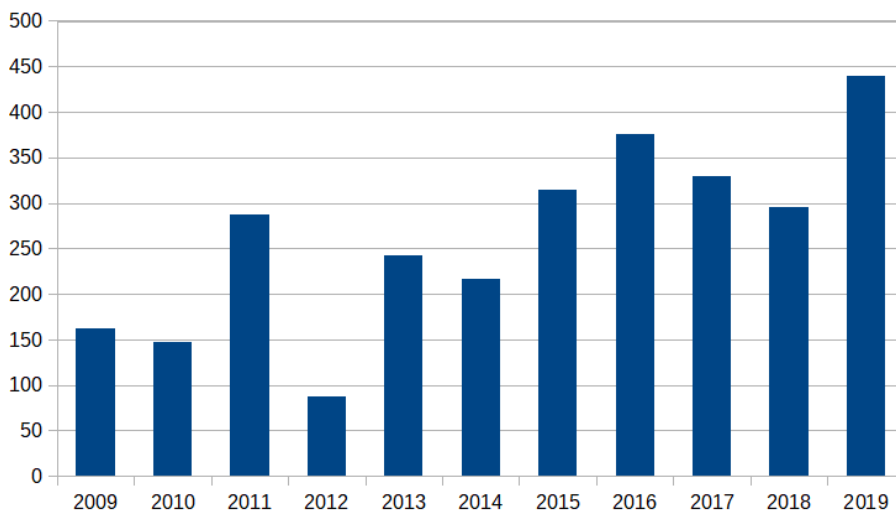
Reed warbler

Four hundred and thirty nine birds ringed (+79%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			1	15	23	123	221	55	1		

Re-trapped: 155

Annual totals for the previous decade:



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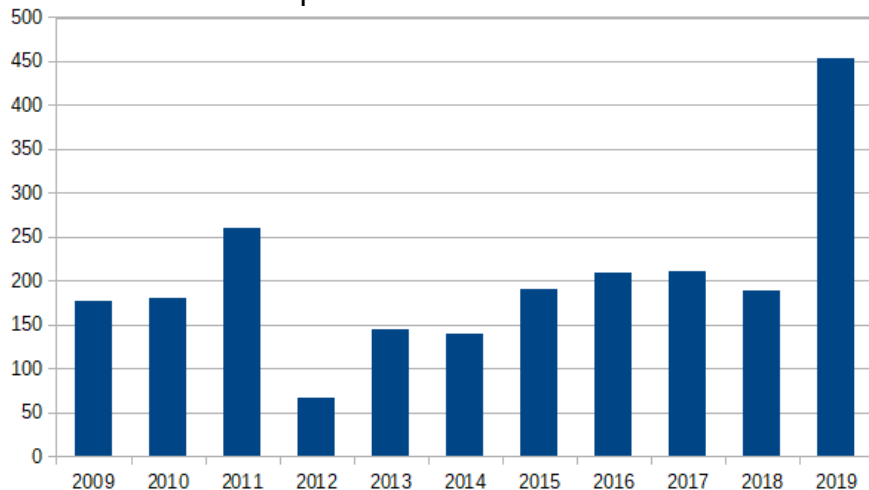
Sedge warbler

Four hundred and fifty three birds ringed (**+156%**).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			11	8	18	33	346	37			

Re-trapped: 70

Annual totals for the previous decade:



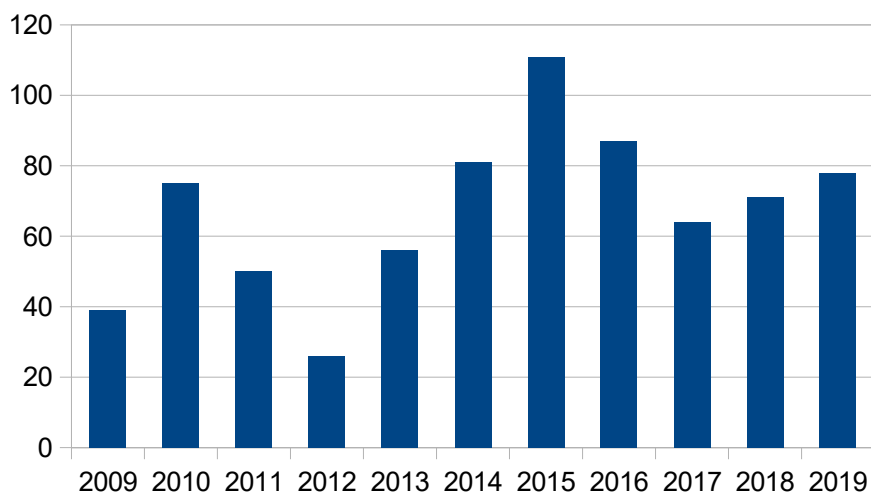
Lesser Whitethroat

Seventy eight birds ringed (**+18%**).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			3	5	3	22	30	15			

Re-trapped: 8

Annual totals for the previous decade:



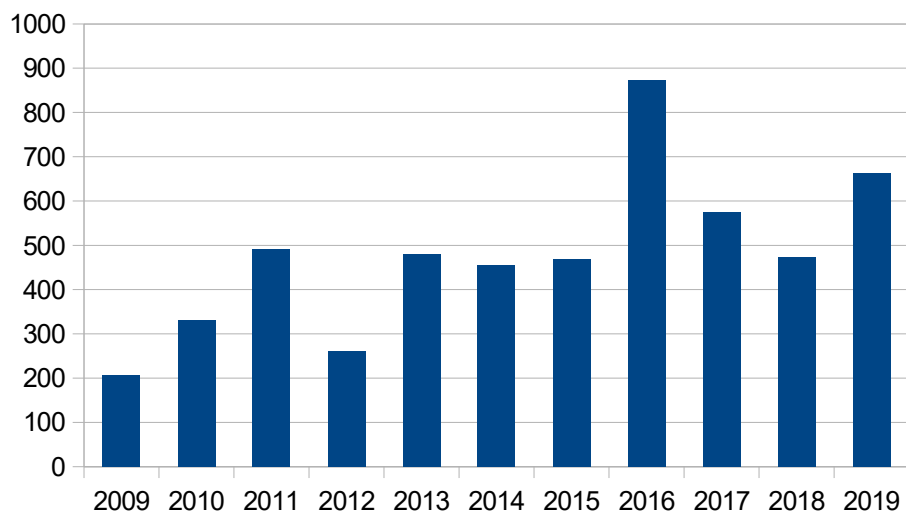
Whitethroat

Six hundred and sixty four birds ringed (+44%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			11	30	40	117	431	35			

Re-trapped: 147

Annual totals for the previous decade:

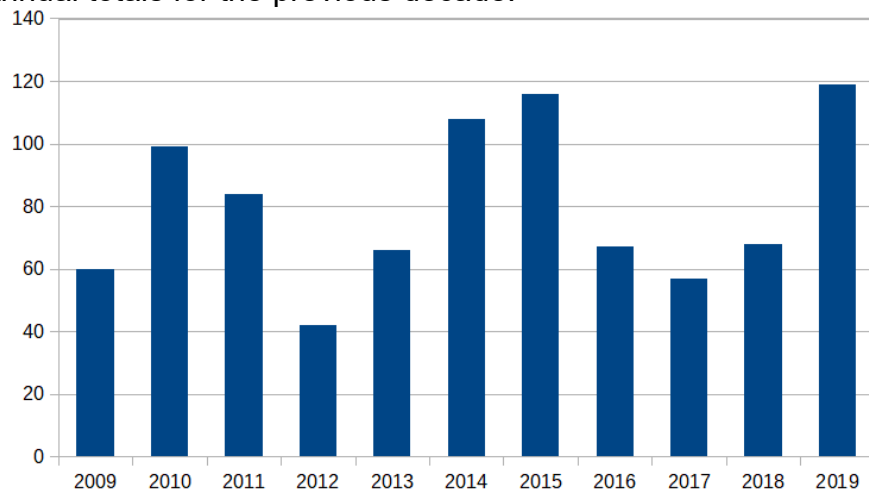
**Garden Warbler**

One hundred and nineteen birds ringed (+55%)

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			1	7	19	29	61	2			

Re-trapped: 65

Annual totals for the previous decade:



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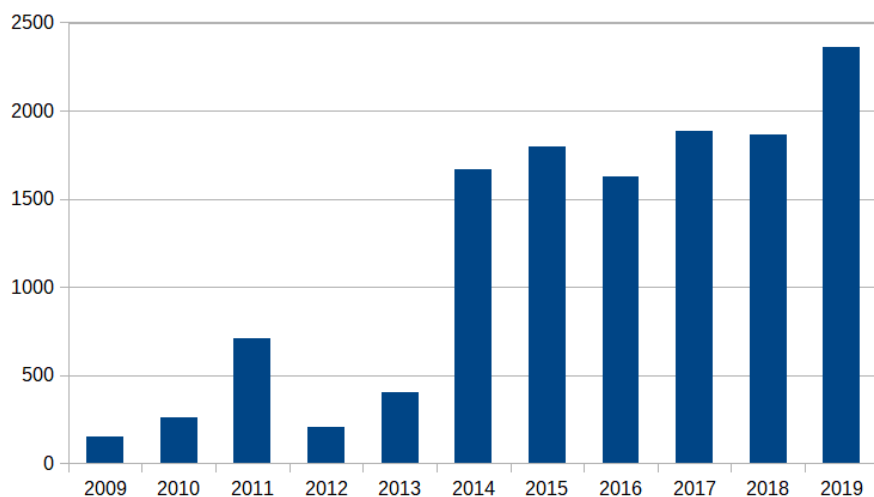
Blackcap

Two thousand, three hundred and fifty nine birds ringed (**+123%**).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		2	85	24	84	135	550	1383	96		

Re-trapped: 169

Annual totals for the previous decade:



Yellow Browed Warbler

One bird ringed on 12 October.

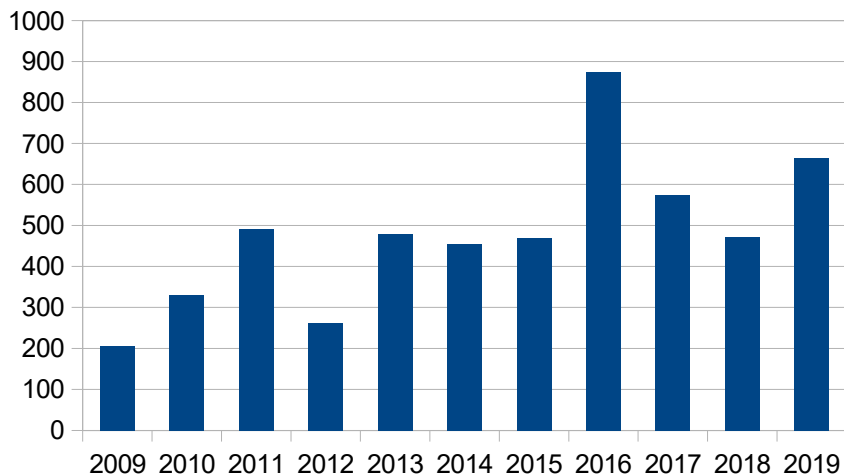
Chiffchaff

Six hundred and twenty nine birds ringed (**+14%**).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		7	14	4	25	47	23	376	132	1	

Re-trapped: 74

Annual totals for the previous decade:



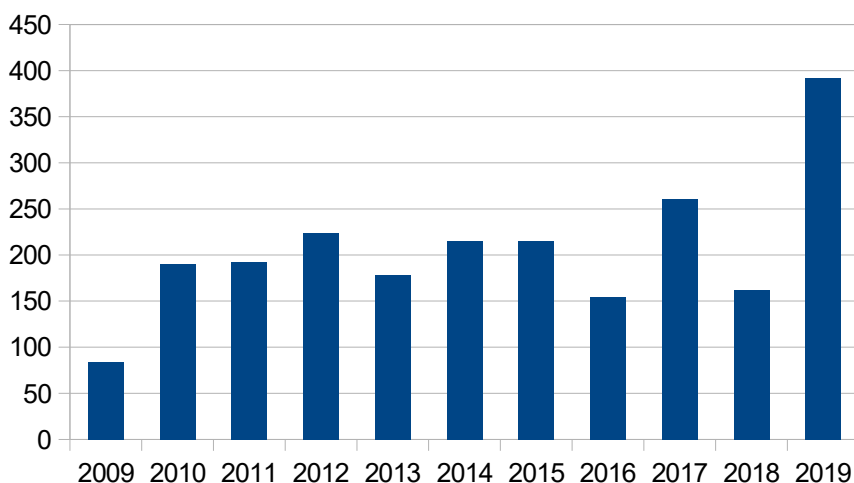
Willow Warbler

Three hundred and ninety two birds ringed (+109%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			13	7	8	30	311	22		1	

Re-trapped: 52

Annual totals for the previous decade:



Crests, Tits, Treecreeper

Both Goldcrests and Treecreeper continue to breed and their numbers appear stable.

Most members of the tit family have done very well over the year. Long Tailed Tits have shown a consistent increase over the last four years. Blue Tits have had their best ever year, and Great Tits their third best year.

Two of the rarer tits, Coal and Willow, although present in small numbers appear to be maintaining their populations. However, always locally scarce, it is sad to report that no Marsh tits have been ringed since 2017, suggesting this species is locally endangered or absent.

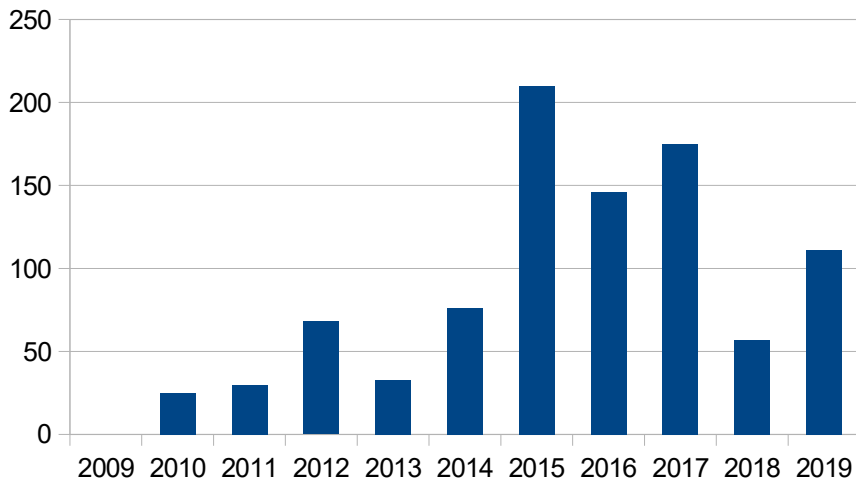
Goldcrest

One hundred and eleven birds ringed **(+35%)**.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		1	0	1	2	3	7	33	51	12	1

Re-trapped: 16

Annual totals for the previous decade:

**Firecrest**

One bird ringed on 25 October.

Spotted Flycatcher

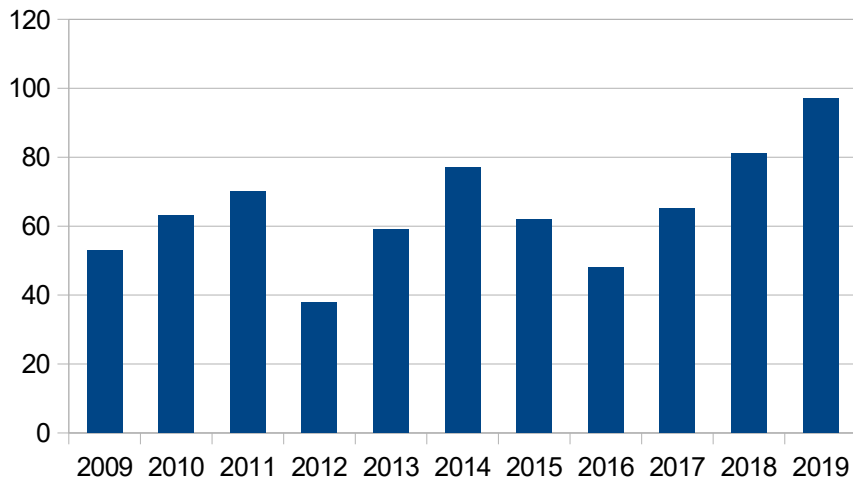
One bird ringed on 24 August.

Long Tailed TitNinety seven birds ringed (**+57%**).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		2	3	8	30	15	9	14	8	8	

Re-trapped: 7

Annual totals for the previous decade:

**Willow Tit**Ten birds ringed (**+212%**).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		1			7		2				

*Re-trapped: 4***Coal Tit**Eight birds ringed (**+5%**).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
					1	3	1		3		

Re-trapped: 4

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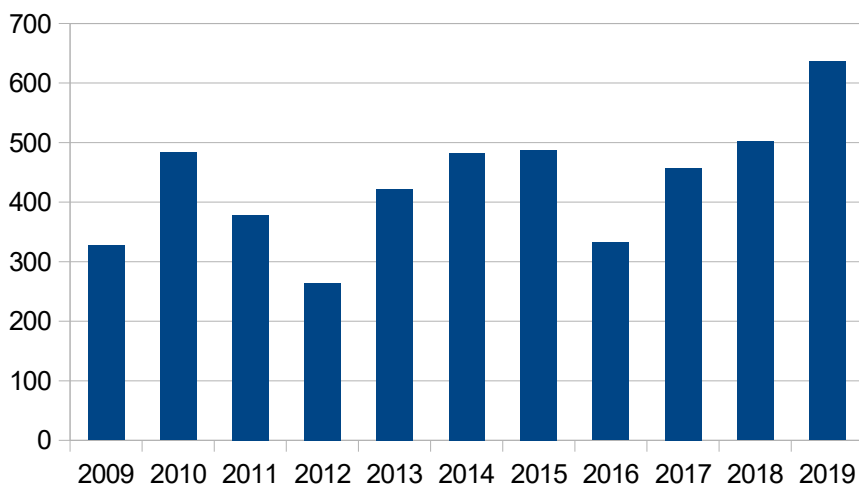
Blue Tit

Six hundred and thirty two birds ringed (**+54%**).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1		9	2	145	75	63	47	94	157	37	12

Re-trapped: 278

Annual totals for the previous decade:



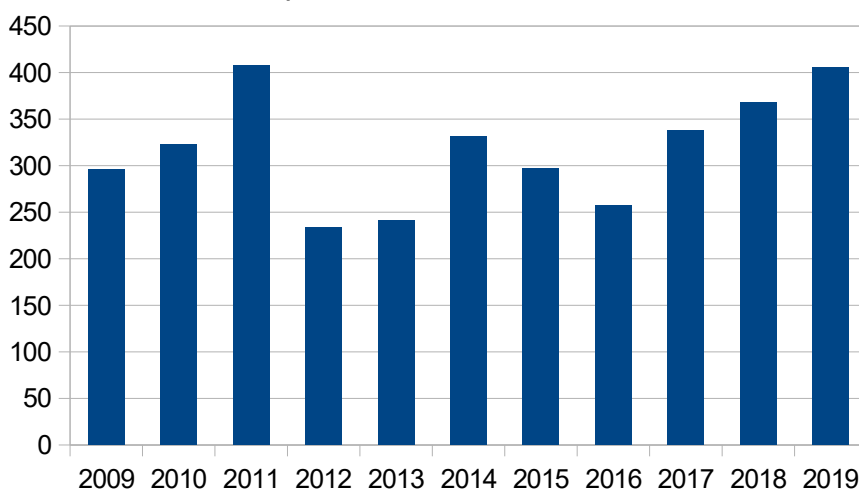
Great Tit

Four hundred and five birds ringed (**+31%**).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2		12	2	176	71	36	6	24	67	9	

Re-trapped: 298

Annual totals for the previous decade:



Nuthatch

One bird ringed on 17 December.

Treecreeper

Eighteen birds ringed (no % change).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			1	2	1	5	4	2	2	1	

Re-trapped: 5

Magpie

One bird ringed on 12 May.

Jackdaw

Fourteen pulli ringed on 18 and 25 May.

Carrion Crow

One bird was ringed on 12 May.

Starling

One bird was ringed on 30 March.

Sparrows and Finches

This group of species has had a very poor year. The flock of tree sparrows which has been very much a feature of the feeders in Blower's Bay was sadly depleted in the latter half of the year, decreasing the 10 year average by 58%.

Similarly Chaffinch numbers have decreased by 64%, as have Goldfinch (-48%) and Linnet (-38%). As noted in the 2015 report this group of birds has had problems with disease, particularly foot problems in Chaffinch, but this has not been observed widely within Goldfinch and Linnet, so does not fully explain this trend.

The only species to appear to make a sustained recover, is Greenfinch which has slowly but consistently increased its numbers over the last four years.

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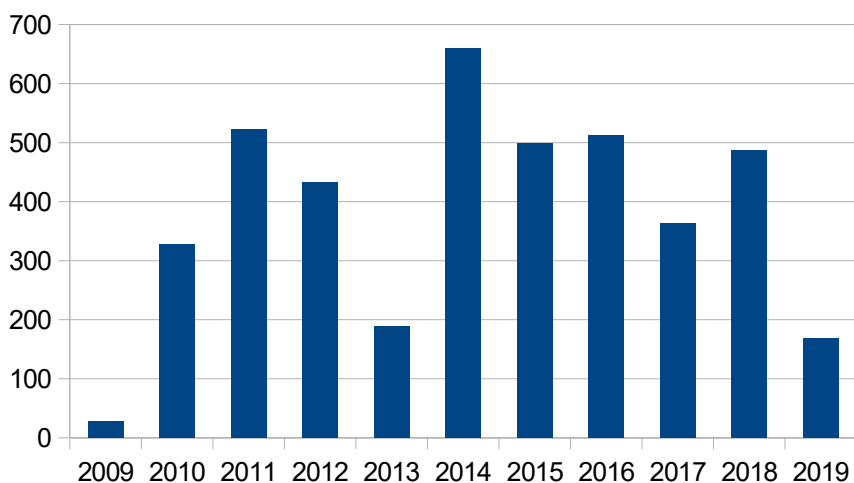
Tree Sparrow

One hundred and sixty eight birds ringed, including 49 pulli (-58%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		19	10	29	44	12	13	1	13	25	2

Re-trapped: 112

Annual totals for the previous decade:



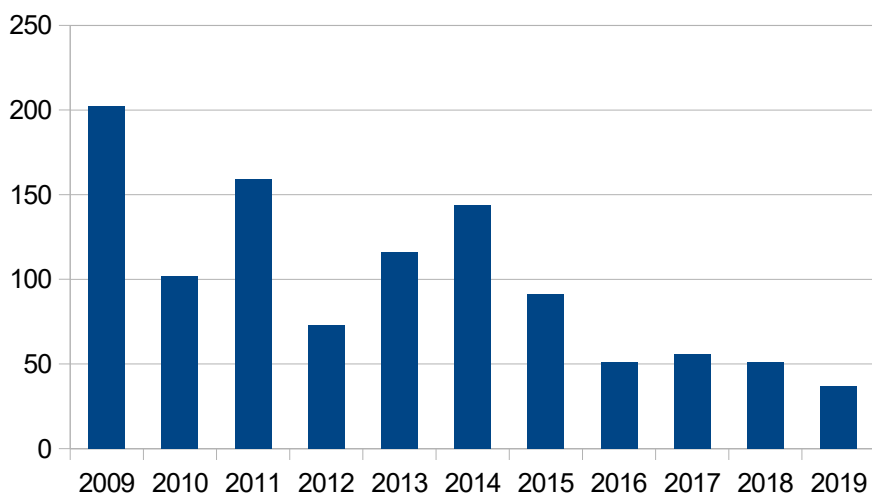
Chaffinch

Thirty seven birds ringed (-64%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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Re-trapped: 5

Annual totals for the previous decade:



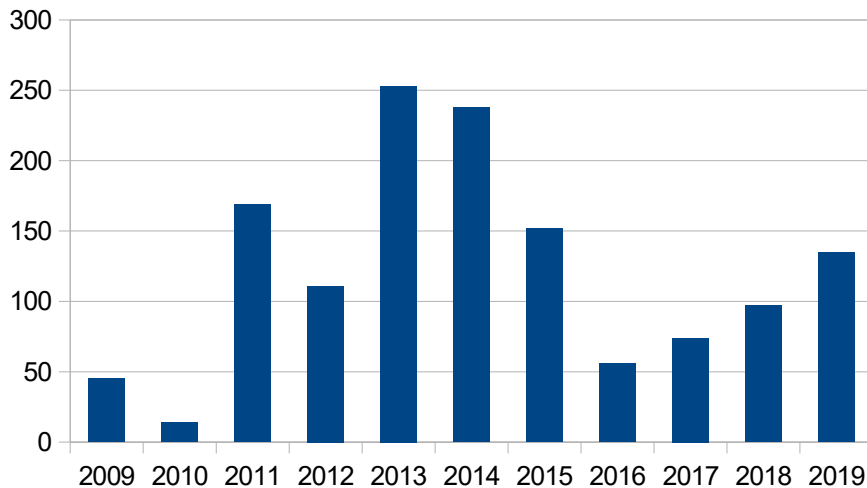
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Greenfinch

One hundred and thirty three birds ringed (+12%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
									109	24	

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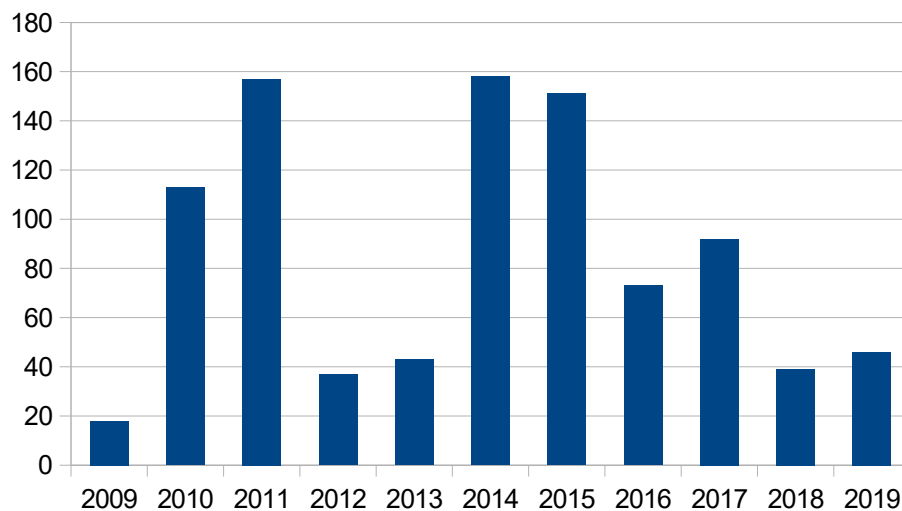


Goldfinch

Forty two birds ringed (-48%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			2		1	3	2	1	26	5	2

Annual totals for the previous decade:



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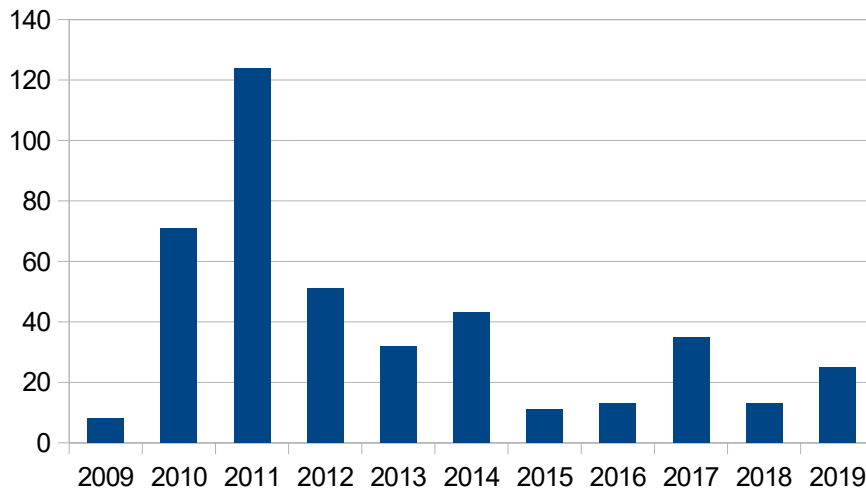
Linnet

Twenty five birds ringed (-38%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			7	6	12						

Re-trapped: 1

Annual totals for the previous decade:



Lesser Redpoll

Three birds ringed, one on 12 and two on 14 October.

Bullfinch

Fourteen birds ringed (-58%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			1	3			2		3	5	

Re-trapped: 17

Buntings

Both Reed Bunting and Yellowhammers had slightly lower than average years. Reed Buntings appear to be steadily increasing their numbers after a poor year in 2017

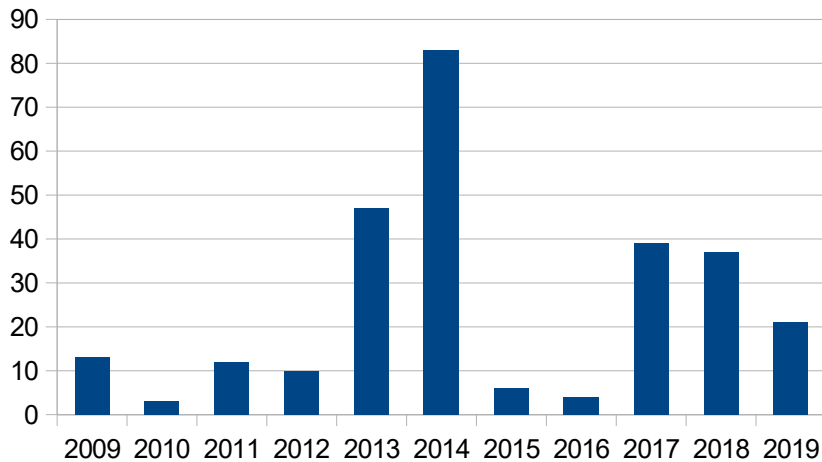
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Yellowhammer

Twenty one birds ringed (-9%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
							1		14	4	

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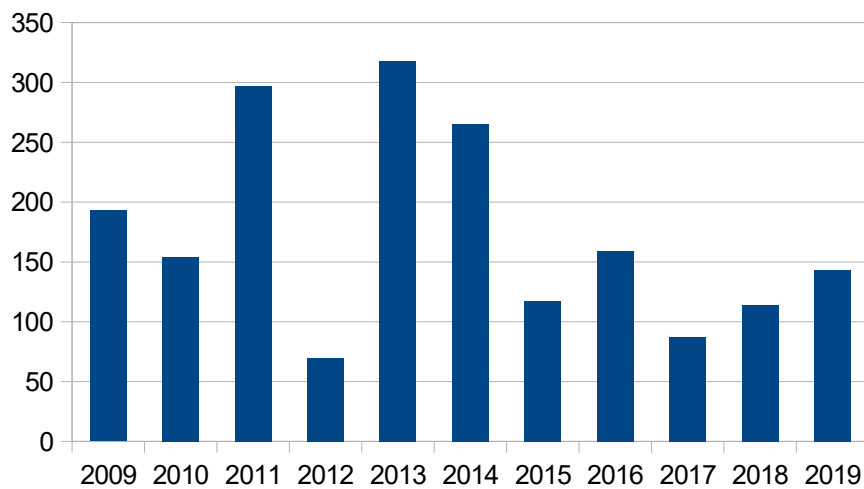
Reed Bunting

One hundred and forty two birds were ringed (-19%).

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		8	9	2	25	33	8	37	13	7	

Re-trapped: 52

Annual totals for the previous decade:



Notable Birds Ringed at Stanford During 2019

Cuckoo**Skylark**

**Grasshopper
Warbler**



**Yellow
Browed
Warbler**



Whinchat

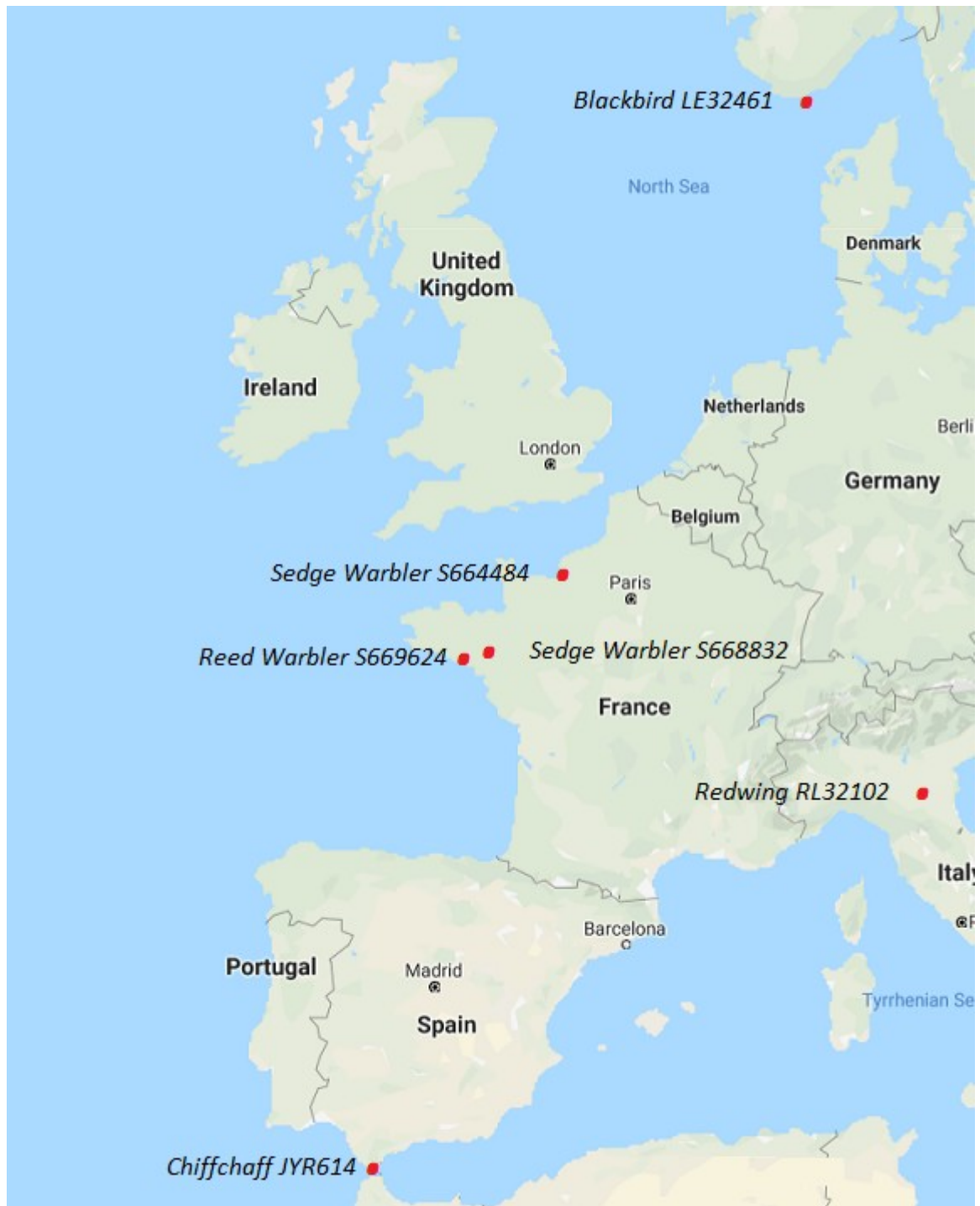


Nuthatch



Stanford Birds Recovered at Other Sites

This section details the birds which were ringed by the Stanford Ringing Group and were subsequently trapped and processed (*'controlled'*) by other sites, or found by members of the public, and were subsequently reported to the BTO. The map shows birds which were controlled abroad.



Species	Ring number	Date ringed	Site Recovered	Date retrapped	Time taken (days)	Distance to Stanford (km)
Blackbird	LE32461	22-NOV-2018	Frestad, Farsund, Vest-Agder, Norway	05-JUL-2019	225	806
Blackcap	S662472	05-SEP-2018	Icklesham, Sussex, East Sussex, UK	17-SEP-2019	377	208
Blackcap	S663640	17-SEP-2018	Depden Lodge Farm, Lattenbury Hill, Godmanchester, Cambridgeshire, UK	26-MAY-2019	251	68
Blackcap	S047758	26-AUG-2017	Brandon Marsh, Warwickshire, UK	19-MAY-2019	631	22
Blackcap	S665233	07-OCT-2018	Finningley Airfield, near Doncaster, South Yorkshire, UK	25-MAY-2019	230	119
Blackcap	S046356	25-AUG-2017	Watermead Country Park, Leicestershire, UK	10-MAY-2019	623	32
Cetti's Warbler	Z371107	26-AUG-2016	Stanwell Moor (Heathermoor Pit), Surrey, UK	28-DEC-2018	854	114
Chiffchaff	JYR849	22-SEP-2018	Brixworth Sewer Works, Northamptonshire, UK	19-JUN-2019	270	16
Chiffchaff	JYP857	20-SEP-2017	Ramsdale Park Golf Centre, Calverton, Nottinghamshire, UK	19-MAY-2019	606	71
Chiffchaff	JYR527	25-JUL-2018	Stortons Gravel Pits, Northampton, Northamptonshire, UK	14-APR-2019	263	23
Chiffchaff	EYH997	02-SEP-2015	Lax Hill, Rutland, UK	19-APR-2016	230	40
Chiffchaff	JYR614	18-AUG-2018	Olhao, Quinta do Marim, Faro, Portugal	30-NOV-2018	104	1788
Garden Warbler	S664184	01-AUG-2018	Ramsley Reservoir, Derbyshire, UK	09-AUG-2019	373	100
Goldfinch	S665577	29-OCT-2018	Alderman's Hill, Greenfield, Greater Manchester, UK	30-MAR-2019	152	137
Greenfinch	TX69763	17-OCT-2018	Dunsby, Bourne, Lincolnshire, UK	24-DEC-2018	68	69
Redstart	S669815	27-AUG-2019	Old Rectory, Kingston, Isle of Wight, UK	06-SEP-2019	10	199
Redwing	RL32102	02-NOV-2016	M. Palandone, Sovere, Bergamo, Italy	14-OCT-2017	346	1088

Reed Bunting	Z366191	22-AUG-2015	Balscote Quarry, Oxfordshire, UK	18-FEB-2019	1276	43
Reed Bunting	TX80450	15-MAY-2017	Brandon Marsh, Warwickshire, UK	18-JUN-2019	764	22
Reed Warbler	S669624	27-AUG-2019	Tour aux Moutons, Donges, Loire-Atlantique, France	08-SEP-2019	12	569
Reed Warbler	ACD8029	04-AUG-2018	Rostherne Mere, Knutsford, Cheshire, UK	14-MAY-2019	283	135
Reed Warbler	Z364461	27-JUN-2015	Brandon Marsh, Warwickshire, UK	16-JUN-2018	1085	22
Sedge Warbler	S668566	11-AUG-2019	Tour aux Moutons, Donges, Loire-Atlantique, France	19-AUG-2019	8	569
Sedge Warbler	S668832	18-AUG-2019	Reserve de Chasse du Massereau, Frossay, Loire-Atlantique, France	26-AUG-2019	8	575
Sedge Warbler	S669778	27-AUG-2019	Icklesham, Sussex, East Sussex, UK	31-AUG-2019	4	208
Sedge Warbler	S667851	22-JUN-2019	Brandon Marsh, Warwickshire, UK	14-JUL-2019	22	22
Sedge Warbler	S664483	11-AUG-2018	Saint-Vigor-D'Ymonville, Seine-Maritime, France	14-AUG-2018	3	346
Willow Warbler	JYP903	23-JUN-2018	Balscote Quarry, Oxfordshire, UK	10-JUN-2019	352	43

Birds From Other Sites Recovered at Stanford

This section details the birds which were ringed at other sites and were subsequently controlled by the Stanford Ringing Group. All details were reported to the BTO, who then contacted the original ringing sites, both in the UK and abroad.

The map shows where birds controlled at Stanford were originally ringed.



Species	Ring number	Date ringed	Site of Origin	Date trapped at Stanford	Time taken (days)	Distance to Stanford (km)
Blackbird	7624697	28-MAR-2018	Sore Merkeskog, Utsira, Rogaland, Norway	30-OCT-2019	581	853
Blackcap	AZE2900	30-AUG-2019	Knepp Castle Estate, West Sussex, UK	30-SEP-2019	168	31
Blackcap	ACB4241	21-JUL-2019	Holme Pierrepont, Nottinghamshire, UK	14-SEP-2019	55	60
Blackcap	D182248	18-SEP-2016	Bicester Wetland Reserve, Bicester, Oxfordshire, UK	13-APR-2019	937	60
Blackcap	ATB2475	20-OCT-2018	Governor's Lookout, Gibraltar, Gibraltar	05-MAY-2019	197	1840
Blackcap	5L29301	01-OCT-2017	Puente Romano, Salamanca, Salamanca, Spain	13-SEP-2018	347	1373
Blackcap	S334852	23-AUG-2019	Tophill Low, East Riding of Yorkshire, UK	03-OCT-2019	41	174
Blue Tit	APH0649	20-MAY-2019	Pitsford Reservoir, Northampton,	15-OCT-2019	148	20
Chiffchaff	KTC221	28-JUN-2019	Cottam PS, Nottinghamshire, UK	17-SEP-2019	81	103
Chiffchaff	JXD957	14-JUL-2019	Holme Pierrepont, Nottinghamshire, UK	14-SEP-2019	62	60
Chiffchaff	LED830	17-JUL-2019	Winterset Reservoir, Wakefield, West Yorkshire, UK	30-SEP-2019	75	137
Garden Warbler	S457525	02-JUL-2018	Brockholes Quarry, Lancashire, UK	11-JUL-2019	374	182
Garden Warbler	AVB0279	21-JUL-2018	Aqualate Mere, Newport, Staffordshire, UK	11-AUG-2019	386	91
Great Tit	APH0588	23-AUG-2019	Pitsford Reservoir, Northampton, Northamptonshire, UK	08-OCT-2019	46	20
Mute Swan	W36246 (Colour ring recorded)	18-JUL-2013	Wendover, Buckinghamshire, UK	02-NOV-2019	2298	77
Reed Warbler	A454574	08-APR-2018	Lagoa de Santo Andre, Setubal, Setúbal, Portugal	21-JUL-2019	469	1700
Reed Warbler	S633422	04-AUG-2018	Belvide, near Brewood, Staffordshire, UK	13-JUL-2019	343	79
Reed Warbler	AXC6959	28-JUN-2019	Woolston Eyes No 3 Bed, Warrington, UK	11-JUL-2019	13	145
Reed Warbler	A454574	08-APR-2018	Lagoa de Santo Andre, Setubal, Setúbal, Portugal	14-JUL-2018	97	1700

Reed Warbler	S781010	03-AUG-2019	Hams Hall, Whitacre Heath, Warwickshire, UK	31-AUG-2019	28	41
Robin	Z311854	19-MAY-2019	Cotesbach, Leicestershire, UK	11-JUL-2019	53	7
Sedge Warbler	AFA1079	01-SEP-2018	Atenor-Miranda Do Douro, Bragança, Portugal	18-AUG-2019	351	1288
Sedge Warbler	ARD4117	18-JUL-2018	Rutland Water, Rutland, UK	03-AUG-2019	381	41
Sedge Warbler	AEF2628	08-AUG-2019	Woolston Eyes No 3 Bed, Warrington	13-AUG-2019	5	145
Sedge Warbler	ARD4117	18-JUL-2018	Rutland Water, Rutland, UK	16-JUN-2019	333	41
Willow Warbler	KYA624	24-JUN-2018	Ramsley Reservoir, Derbyshire, UK	24-AUG-2019	426	100
Willow Warbler	KYV105	15-APR-2019	Hilbre Island, Wirral, Merseyside, UK	08-AUG-2019	115	178

Oldest Birds Ringed at Stanford

These are the oldest birds for each species retrapped this year. Species for whom the oldest individuals are less than one year old have not been included.

None of 2019's birds have exceeded previous years' records, which are included in the next table for reference, although Great Spotted Woodpecker LC98526 was only two days short of equalling the record longevity of 5yr 6 months and 6 days!

Ring number	Species	Date Ringed	Latest Retrap	Age
GJ74577	Tawny Owl	28/04/12	16/02/19	6y 09mth 18d
LC98526	Great S Woodpecker	12/07/13	18/01/19	5yr 06mth 6d
JJD244	Wren	23/08/16	19/04/19	2y 8m 3d
TX69425	Dunnock	13/06/17	19/09/19	2yr 3mth 6d
S662684	Robin	11/08/18	17/12/19	1yr 4mth 6d
LB15800	Blackbird	05/11/12	05/05/19	6yr 6mth 0d
RL32018	Song Thrush	23/06/18	03/08/19	1yr 1mth 20d
Z369478	Sedge Warbler	14/07/16	12/05/19	2yr 9mth 28d
Y246174	Reed Warbler	25/08/12	21/07/19	6yr 10mth 26d
Z369739	Lesser Whitethroat	21/07/16	12/05/18	1yr 10mth 2d
Z370429	Whitethroat	15/08/16	06/06/19	2yr 10mth 3d
Y245827	Garden Warbler	14/07/12	03/08/19	7yr 0mth 27d
Z369144	Blackcap	11/06/16	28/09/19	2yr 3mth 17d
JCE248	Chiffchaff	07/05/16	06/07/19	3yr 1mth 29d
JCE251	Willow Warbler	14/05/16	25/05/19	3yr 0mth 11d
JJD899	Long Tailed Tit	01/07/17	12/05/19	1yr 10mth 11d
Z364565	Blue Tit	19/06/15	12/04/19	3y 9m 23d
Z365127	Great Tit	15/07/15	30/10/19	4y 3m 15d
JJD101	Treecreeper	26/07/16	22/04/19	2y 8m 26d
S044582	Tree Sparrow	19/12/16	01/04/19	2y 3m 22d
S044995	Chaffinch	29/10/16	16/06/19	2y 8m 17d
S043949	Bullfinch	30/09/16	19/11/19	3y 1m 19d
Y737619	Reed Bunting	28/09/13	28/09/19	6y 0m 0d

Historic Longevity Records for Each Species Ringed or Controlled at Stanford

Three birds (Grasshopper Warbler, Garden Warbler and Roseate Tern) are highlighted- these are the longest recorded ages for these species.

Ring number	Species	Date Ringed	Latest Retrap	Age
GR41954	Barn Owl	13/06/2012	06/10/2016	4y 3m 23d
ES46211	Black-headed Gull	09/06/1994	13/04/2017	22y 10m 4d
629300	Black-tailed Godwit	12/06/2005	25/06/2017	12y 0m 15d
CL10718	Blackbird	21/10/2001	05/09/2013	11y 10m 15d
P060369	Blackcap	24/06/2000	27/08/2005	5y 2m 4d
T684126	Blue Tit	10/06/2006	18/02/2014	7y 8m 10d
K340529	Brambling	12/11/1995	20/11/1995	0y 0m 8d
V732487	Bullfinch	26/07/2008	22/04/2014	5y 8m 26d
5086101	Canada Goose	10/07/1977	16/02/1985	7y 7m 9d
Z371107	Cetti's Warbler	26/08/2016	28/12/2018	2y 4m 3d
C589276	Chaffinch	21/04/1985	26/06/1994	9y 2m 6d
0U0749	Chiffchaff	25/08/2001	16/07/2005	3y 10m 21d
V733257	Coal Tit	15/08/2009	15/11/2012	3y 3m 2d
EJ59783	Common Gull	28/02/1981	27/05/1984	3y 2m 29d
SV20815	Common Tern	12/06/2005	11/08/2012	7y 2m 1d
J880172	Dunnock	21/12/1994	30/06/2001	6y 6m 10d
CW04076	Fieldfare	07/03/2010	01/12/2012	2y 8m 26d
FR14882	Gadwall	25/07/1993	25/01/1994	0y 6m 1d
T179169	Garden Warbler	02/07/2005	08/08/2015	10y 1m 6d
0U0687	Goldcrest	19/10/2002	04/12/2004	2y 1m 15d
V190239	Goldfinch	21/12/2007	08/08/2012	4y 7m 18d
A889049	Grasshopper Warbler	16/05/1981	01/06/1986	5y 0m 16d
D893076	Great Black-backed Gull	25/06/1976	07/01/1978	1y 6m 14d
LC98526	Great Spotted Woodpecker	12/07/2013	18/01/2019	5y 6m 8d
TE89027	Great Tit	28/05/2005	26/05/2013	7y 11m 29d
DA56894	Green Woodpecker	12/11/2011	24/11/2012	1y 0m 13d
TE89147	Greenfinch	11/06/2005	19/11/2011	6y 5m 9d

Z370887	Grey Wagtail	11/09/2016	19/12/2017	1y 3m 7d
L569818	House Martin	21/09/2010	19/05/2012	1y 7m 29d
TV13457	House Sparrow	26/05/2014	05/04/2018	3y 10m 10d
EK41301	Jackdaw	27/06/2000	17/01/2011	10y 6m 23d
DA56832	Jay	20/11/2003	03/04/2005	1y 4m 14d
EK41236	Kestrel	15/05/2004	05/01/2008	3y 7m 22d
SB09529	Kingfisher	05/10/2002	15/11/2003	1y 1m 9d
GP71033	Lesser Black-backed Gull	30/11/1973	08/09/1981	7y 9m 9d
A888944	Lesser Redpoll	11/07/1981	11/08/1985	4y 1m 31d
VA40073	Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	04/05/1986	03/08/1986	0y 3m 31d
T179490	Lesser Whitethroat	23/07/2005	02/07/2011	5y 11m 9d
L881442	Linnet	12/05/2011	23/07/2016	5y 2m 13d
EK21602	Little Owl	13/06/1983	19/06/1985	2y 0m 7d
NS50051	Little Ringed Plover	16/06/1986	04/08/1986	0y 1m 17d
GJ42431	Long-eared Owl	28/02/1982	01/04/1982	0y 1m 31d
0U0554	Long-tailed Tit	30/06/2001	14/06/2008	6y 11m 15d
GJ74601	Mallard	24/07/1993	28/11/1995	2y 4m 6d
N592928	Marsh Tit	11/09/1999	30/03/2002	2y 6m 19d
KP36275	Meadow Pipit	18/12/1976	28/10/1978	1y 10m 9d
CF10478	Mistle Thrush	04/01/2002	19/01/2003	1y 0m 15d
Z14641	Mute Swan	11/04/1995	23/07/2009	14y 3m 13d
VX88074	Nuthatch	07/12/2000	10/11/2001	0y 11m 3d
A026580	Pied Flycatcher	17/06/1979	27/08/1983	4y 2m 11d
V618724	Pied/White Wagtail	17/05/2008	25/08/2008	0y 3m 10d
T179382	Redstart	16/07/2005	30/07/2005	0y 0m 14d
9X04691	Redwing	18/10/2013	09/12/2016	3y 1m 21d
L430916	Reed Bunting	04/07/2011	23/11/2018	7y 4m 22d
N592592	Reed Warbler	17/07/1999	16/07/2009	9y 11m 30d
BV26170	Ringed Plover	30/04/2010	15/06/2015	5y 1m 14d
V733652	Robin	19/12/2009	29/12/2014	5y 0m 10d
SX080	Roseate Tern	16/07/1980	24/05/2004	23y 10m 8d
V188647	Sand Martin	19/06/2006	07/08/2011	5y 1m 17d

E279852	Sedge Warbler	14/07/1993	19/06/1999	5y 11m 5d
P775474	Siskin	09/03/2003	29/01/2006	2y 10m 22d
VA40048	Skylark	13/05/1985	06/07/1985	0y 1m 22d
RB53145	Snipe	17/10/1993	31/10/1994	1y 0m 14d
XK48026	Song Thrush	04/07/1981	15/07/1987	6y 0m 11d
DA56898	Sparrowhawk	13/11/2013	03/12/2016	3y 0m 21d
CL01659	Starling	15/12/2000	04/09/2006	5y 8m 19d
EL13469	Stock Dove	03/09/2011	19/08/2017	5y 11m 16d
Y245575	Swallow	19/05/2012	09/09/2014	2y 3m 21d
SA51643	Swift	31/05/1980	02/06/1984	4y 0m 3d
GJ74632	Tawny Owl	09/04/2005	14/07/2016	11y 3m 6d
V733757	Tree Sparrow	24/04/2010	12/04/2015	4y 11m 18d
DNK885	Treecreeper	02/07/2011	24/10/2016	5y 3m 24d
P774799	Whitethroat	03/08/2002	02/08/2009	6y 11m 30d
B875399	Willow Tit	13/05/1984	12/07/1987	3y 2m 28d
1W8238	Willow Warbler	31/07/1994	18/08/2001	7y 0m 19d
EK41473	Woodcock	17/12/2005	07/01/2006	0y 0m 21d
FR14851	Woodpigeon	09/05/1981	08/02/1989	7y 9m 2d
BVB481	Wren	10/05/2008	27/03/2012	3y 10m 17d
KJ15896	Yellow Wagtail	03/07/1976	01/07/1978	1y 11m 28d
J880259	Yellowhammer	30/01/1995	06/04/2002	7y 2m 7d

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